In The Claims:

- 1. (Twice Amended) A system for effectively utilizing resources in an electronic device, comprising:
 - a resource characterization coupled to said electronic device, said resource characterization corresponding to a requested process, said resource characterization including resource requirements required for executing said requested process;
 - an allocation manager configured to authorize or deny said requested process
 by referencing said resource characterization, said requested process
 executing with optimal performance when authorized by said allocation
 manager, said optimal performance being due to guaranteed preallocated resources provided by said electronic device; and
 a processor coupled to said electronic device for controlling said allocation

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manager.

21. (Twice Amended) A method for effectively utilizing resources in an electronic device, comprising the steps of:

referencing a resource characterization with an allocation manager, said
resource characterization corresponding to a requested process, said
resource characterization including resource requirements required for
executing said requested process;

authorizing or denying said requested process with said allocation manager based upon said resource characterization, said requested process executing with optimal performance when authorized by said allocation manager, said optimal performance being due to guaranteed pre-allocated resources provided by said electronic device; and controlling said allocation manager with a processor that is coupled to said electronic device.

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